

In the Specification:

On page 1, in the space between the title "Method for Joining Nonwoven Mesh Products" and the Heading "Background of the Invention", please insert

Cross-Reference to Related Applications

A¹ This is a division of U.S. Patent Application SN 09/290,899, filed April 12, 1999.

and

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1 through 17 in their entirety.

REMARKS

Entry of the preceding amendment is respectfully requested. As the present application is a division of U.S. Patent Application SN 09/290,899, filed April 12, 1999 and allowed on December 18, 2000, the present amendment is being submitted to insert the necessary reference to that application into the

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specification and to cancel the claims allowed in the parent SN
09/290,899.

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